

Martha Cooper Memorial Scholarship for the Arts

This scholarship has been created to honor the memory of Martha Cooper. Throughout her life, she was an advocate for each area of the arts- music, drama, and visual arts. Martha was a visual artist, pianist, and also loved attending musicals and theatre, including SJHS productions. This love extended to all three of her children and her grandchildren, who are musicians and visual artists. Her legacy lives on through them and we wish to honor her by supporting students in their pursuit of the arts.

Qualifications:

HS senior

Minimum GPA 2.5

Demonstrates exceptional talent in a specific area of the arts

Intent to continue their studies into college the following fall

Excellent citizenship

Scholarship details

4 awards in the amount of \$1,000 each in any of the following:

- 1) Visual Arts
- 2) Band
- 3) Orchestra
- 4) Choir
- 5) Theatre

Selection process:

- * Students must complete the written application.
- * Students must provide attached reference form to a teacher from one of the areas listed above.

Deadline for both parts of the application is April 15th

Applications can be turned into the main office

Martha Cooper Memorial Scholarship for the Arts Application

Name _____ Grade _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone number _____ G.P.A _____

To which colleges or universities have you been accepted?

Planned course of study? _____

What are your Honors/awards related to your area of the arts? _____

What are your future life goals? _____

Please explain what qualifies you for this award?

****Attach a separate sheet of paper if needed.*

MARTHA COOPER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - REFERENCE FORM

This reference form is to be used by the Martha Cooper Memorial Scholarship Selection Committee. Evaluation is essential to and an integral part of the Committee's systematic approach to preparing a composite estimate of the personal qualities and abilities of each applicant. Among the qualities desirable in the recipients of this scholarship are good citizenship, high moral character, and willingness to be of service to others both in school and in community. (Each application must have references. Failure to complete and forward this form will cause elimination from consideration.)

KEY: Poor 1 – 5 Outstanding 0 - Not Observed

(Circle One)

- 5 4 3 2 1 a. Consideration of Others-is patient, understanding, considerate, and courteous
- 5 4 3 2 1 b. Attitude Toward School-shows interest and enthusiasm toward his work
- 5 4 3 2 1 c. Achievement Drive-has the initiative and persistence needed to accomplish meaningful goals
- 5 4 3 2 1 d. Openness-consideration of divergent views
- 5 4 3 2 1 e. Flexibility-is able to adjust to change in plans or procedures
- 5 4 3 2 1 f. Encouragement to Others-encourages others to do their best
- 5 4 3 2 1 g. Innovativeness-is willing to try new approaches or methods
- 5 4 3 2 1 h. Fairness-treats others in an unbiased and impartial manner
- 5 4 3 2 1 i. Sense of Humor-has a sense of the ridiculous and is able to laugh at his mistakes
- 5 4 3 2 1 j. Decision-Making Ability-seems able to make constructive decisions
- 5 4 3 2 1 k. Self-Control-maintains control of emotions when things are not going right
- 5 4 3 2 1 l. Dependable-gives evidence of dependability
- 5 4 3 2 1 m. Attitude Toward Community-participates in community activities
- 5 4 3 2 1 n. Appearance-grooming and attire are in good taste
- 5 4 3 2 1 o. Evidence of leadership

In the space provided, or using another sheet, please provide our Selection Committee with any specific information regarding this student's character, citizenship, leadership, and service to others in the school or community (please include strengths and/or weaknesses). The Selection Committee finds written comments very helpful.

Thank you for your help!

Name (please print): _____ Signature: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____ Address: _____

Before April 15 send to: St. Johns Public School, Student Services Center, 501 W. Sickels, St. Johns, MI 48879

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____